January 19, Mississippi River

The Coast Guard and the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries released the last of the oiled brown pelicans injured during Huricane Isaac.

January 27, Vicksburg, Miss.

Nature's Way Endeavor's two tank barges allide with the Vicksburg Railroad river bridge. Tank barges were loaded with crude oil. Mississippi River closed from MM 425 to MM 441.



February 12, New Orleans

Coast Guard Cutter Barbara Mabrity delivers Zulu to downtown New Orleans on Lundi Gras to kick off the yearly festivities.



February 15, Gulf of Mexico

The Coast Guard completed its escort of the disabled Carnival cruise ship Triumph after the Triumph suffered a fire in the aft engine room. The cruise ship was towed for more than 100 hours back to Mobile, Ala.

March 8. New Orleans

Towing Vessel Justice sank around midnight in the Mississippi River near St. James. Three people aboard the tow vessel made it out safely. Vessel was carrying 5,336 gallons of diesel fuel and 100 gallons of lube oil.

March 14, Bayou Perot

A tug and barge allided with a pipeline and caught fire. T&B were carrying 2,200 barrels of crude oil and 10,400 feet of boom was deployed around the tank barge.

April 25, Mobile, Ala.

A barge exploded between the George Wallace Tunnel and the Bankhead Tunnel in Mobile Bay. The barge was an empty compressed natural gas barge.

May 2, New Orleans

Rear Adm. Kevin Cook relieved Rear Adm. Roy Nash as commander of the 8th Coast Guard District during an official changeof-command ceremony at the National World War II Museum.

June 27, Lake Carlyle, Ill.

Operation Dry Water kicks off. ODW is a national annual campaign where Coast Guard units and partner agencies increase their presence and to educate boaters and raise awareness of boating under the influence of drugs/alcohol.



July 9, Gulf of Mexico

Ship Shoal Block 225 Platform B, and an oil and natural gas production platform lost well control 74 miles soutwest of Port Fourchon. Coast Guard and BSEE responded.



August 2, Corpus Christi

Coast Guard aircrew rescued two men after their boat sank near the entrance of Copano Bay. The two men did not have GPS, marine radio, and had a cell phone with 20% battery.

September 17, Brownsville, Texas

Coast Guard, Customs and Border Protection and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department escorted 179 Mexican shrimping vessels to safe harbor in the Port of Brownsville from the threatening weather conditions of Hurricane Ingrid in Mexican waters.

October 9, New Orleans

A helicopter crashed near Main Pass Block 108. The offshore supply vessel Ridge retrieved four people. The Coast Guard transported one person to LSU Medical Center.

November 15, New Orleans

A man falls 30 feet into a 145 foot high water tower in Port Fourchon. Air Station New Orleans aircrew hoisted the man and transferred him to University Hospital.